

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 837 - HB 1305

March 7, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires a Tennessee resident who is a United States citizen and a bounty hunter to undergo and pay for a criminal background check at the sheriff's office of the county of the person's permanent residence. Requires the sheriff to maintain the files on bounty hunters who are subject to public inspection, and authorizes the sheriff to charge a fee of not more than \$200 for each background check performed pursuant to this bill.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Revenue - \$60,000/One-Time/Permissive

Increase Local Expenditures - \$60,000/One-Time/Permissive

Assumptions:

- According to the Tennessee Association of Professional Bail Agents, there are approximately 300 individuals statewide functioning as bounty hunters who would be subject to a criminal background check.
- The local sheriffs will assess a \$200 fee resulting in an increase to local revenue of \$60,000 (\$200 x 300 bounty hunters).
- There will be a one-time increase in local expenditures of \$60,000 (\$200 x 300 bounty hunters) for the sheriffs to conduct the criminal background checks and store the files.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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